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Woman charged after bus wreck



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On Feb. 28 a 1994 Jeep Cherokee driven by Tina Crawford, 32, of Carlisle, collided head on with a 2000 International school bus driven by Jerry Edwards, 45, of Carlisle. There were no reported injuries. Following the accident Crawford was charged by Nicholas County Deputy Sheriff Bennie Buckler with operating a motor vehicle on a DUI suspended operator's license. The Wednesday afternoon accident took place on Miller's Station Road, Nicholas County. Firemen responded to the scene and offered traffic control.

For the second time in less than a month a Nicholas County School bus has been involved in an accident. On Feb. 28 a 1994 Jeep Cherokee driven by Tina Crawford, 32, of Carlisle, collided head on with a 2000 International school bus driven by Jerry Edwards, 45, of Carlisle. The collision was on Miller's Station Road in Nicholas County, five miles from Carlisle. Following the accident Crawford was charged by Nicholas County Deputy Sheriff Bennie Buckler with operating a motor vehicle on a DUI suspended operator's license. According to Deputy Buckler's report Edwards was driving the bus south on Miller's Station Road on his normal route to deliver passengers to their destinations. The Jeep, driven by Crawford, was heading north on Miller's Station Road and as the vehicle came over the hill crest Crawford perceived an impending incident with the school bus. The report said, Crawford locked the brakes on the vehicle and slid 71 feet, hitting the school bus head on. When emergency workers arrived at the scene, Crawford and two minor passengers in the car, along with Edwards and 15 minors were all checked by members of the Nicholas County Emergency Service and cleared with no complaints.

One indicted

William D. Crain, 31, has been indicted by the March Nicholas County Grand Jury. Meeting in session, March 5, the members of the grand jury indicted Crain on one count of trafficking in a controlled substance, cocaine, in the first degree. The Grand Jury, in the true bill of the indictment, stated that on or about Dec. 19, 2005 in Nicholas County, Ky., Crain committed the offense of trafficking in a controlled substance in the first degree when he knowingly and unlawfully sold or transferred cocaine, against the peace of dignity of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Kentucky State Police Detective Bret McFarland appeared before the grand jury as a witness for the Commonwealth. Attorney Douglas Wright in the Commonwealth's Attorney for the district representing Nicholas County.

Lady Jackets' run ends in 10th Region

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MT. STERLING - Four of 20 shooting from the field and three of 10 from the charity stripe in the first half by Nicholas County's Lady Jackets put an end to the team's hopes of advancing in the regional tournament. Bishop Brossart pulled away from an early 4-3 lead and went on to claim a 44-21 win in the opening round of the girls' 10th Region tournament played for the first time in Montgomery County High School's spanking new arena. The Lady Stangs jumped out to a 4-0 lead, but Tara Wilson hit a six foot jumper and then canned a free throw with 6:40 to go in the first half. Brossart hit two straight baskets before Tiffany Wilson hit a lay-up and free throw to set the score at 20-8 with 3:17 to play in the first half. Brossart out scored Nicholas County 8-2 in the final three minutes of the quarter as Brittanie Sosby hit the only basket for the Lady Jackets and at intermission it was 25-11, Lady Stangs. Opening the second quarter Tiffany Wilson was one of two from the line, Brossart hit a field goal and Hollee Bretz hit a two shot attempt to bring Nicholas to within 13 at 27-14. Tiffany Wilson hit a lay-up with 5:15 to go in the quarter to make the score 30-16, and Petrea Mitchell, who was patrolling the lane, hit a put back with 3:09 in the quarter to make the score 30-18 and as close as Nicholas County would get. Two free throws by Tiffany Wilson with 13 seconds left in the quarter made the score 37-20 at the stop. The fourth quarter's offensive output by the Lady Jackets consisted of a free throw by Tiffany Wilson with 51 seconds to go in the game. The Jackets were only 9-20 from the charity stripe and couldn't find any success from the field at all, failing to count a single three point goal in the loss. Brittanie Sosby finished with two points as did Hollee Bretz. Tiffany Wilson led Nicholas County scorers with seven points, as Tara Wilson and Petrea Mitchell had five points each. "We couldn't score. We six of 43 from field and only nine of 20 from the free throw line. We just couldn't score. We got some nice looks. We stopped the Steffen (Kaitlin) girl who had only six points, and she scored a lot against us in home game. "We did the job on her.

You can tell Tara Wilson was sick. Brittanie Sosby was sick. We were late getting up here because of that. If affected our defense. "Our defense did what we wanted. They were bigger and stronger than us. Next year we hope to have more strength inside. "We didn't quit. We did the things I had hoped we could. The seniors this year, Tiffany and Tara Wilson and Amanda Hamilton, saw their careers come to an end in the regional tournament. They offered great leadership. Amanda Hamilton

did not score but people look up to her. We'll miss the leadership of all three seniors next year. Hopefully we will have new leaders step up. The Lady Jackets finished the year with a 9-18 mark and as Dist. 38 runner-up.



Photo by Hank Bond

National Cheerleader Week
Nicholas County Judge-Executive Larry Tincher declared National Cheerleader Week. He is joined by, left, cheerleaders Jordan Letcher, center, Haley McConnell and Jasmine Flowers.

Beware!

In observation of the traditional severe weather awareness campaign, Kentucky recognizes March as "Severe Storms Preparedness Month" across the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Kentucky Division of Emergency Management, the Kentucky Weather Preparedness Committee along with the National Weather Service office that serve the state of Kentucky have designated this month as a time for severe weather preparedness. The Kentucky Division of Emergency Management and Kentucky Weather Preparedness Committee urge you and your family to review these safety tips to avert the peak severe weather season in Kentucky.

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